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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appl. No. : 10/609,140 Confirmation No. 6728
Applicant : HENRY D. MELENDEZ
Title : ANTI-SPUTTER FLUID FLOW CONTROL APPARATUS FOR
PAINT SPRAYERS
Filed : 06/27/2003
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Cust. No. : 8156

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RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

This communication is in response to the Office Action mailed 01/25/2005.

1. Electronic Information Disclosure Statement.

The Applicant notes that an Electronic Information Disclosure Statement was submitted on November 20, 2004, but has not been indicated as having been considered by the Examiner. Therefore, the Applicant respectfully requests that the IDS be initialed as considered and returned with the Notice of Allowability.

2. Rejection of Claims 1-15.

Claims 1-15 were rejected for obviousness-type double patenting in view of co-pending application Ser. No. 10/609,139. In response, the Applicant is submitting a Terminal Disclaimer herewith to overcome the rejection.

3. Conclusion.

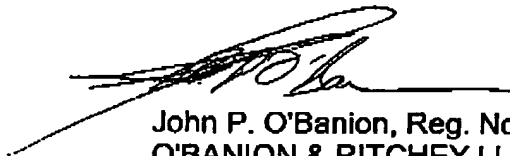
In view of the above, each of the presently pending claims in this application is believed to be in immediate condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to withdraw the outstanding rejection of the claims and to pass this application to issue.

Appl. No.: 10/809,139
Amd. Dated 02/03/2005
Off. Act. Dated: 01/25/2005

The Applicant also respectfully requests a telephone interview with the Examiner in the event that there are questions regarding this response, or if the next action on the merits is not an allowance of all pending claims.

Date: 2/3/05

Respectfully submitted,



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